

General Assembly

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Referred to Committee on Public Health

Introduced by: (PH)

AN ACT CONCERNING A GYNECOLOGIC CANCER INFORMATION PROGRAM.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 (NEW) The Department of Public Health shall develop a pamphlet
- 2 containing summary information concerning gynecologic cancers,
- 3 including cervical, ovarian and uterine cancer. Such pamphlet shall
- 4 contain standardized information with respect to such cancers, written
- 5 in plain language, that includes (1) signs and symptoms, (2) risk
- 6 factors, (3) the benefits of early detection through appropriate
- 7 diagnostic testing, (4) treatment options, and (5) such other
- 8 information as the department deems necessary. The department shall
- 9 make such pamphlet available to hospitals, physicians and other
- 10 health care providers for distribution to patients. The department shall
- 11 also prepare appropriate multilingual versions of such pamphlet for
- 12 use by non-English-speaking patients.

Statement of Purpose:

To require the Department of Public Health to develop a plain language pamphlet containing summary information concerning gynecologic cancers, including cervical, ovarian and uterine cancer, for hospitals, physicians and other health care providers to distribute to patients.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]